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TO: All Hanford Site Employees

FROM: Karen Phillips, MD, Site Occupational Medical Director

SUBJECT: Protect Yourself and Your Family

PLEASE SHARE THIS MESSAGE WITH THOSE WHO ARE NOT ON COMPUTERS

According to the <u>Benton-Franklin Health District</u>, COVID-19 cases are on the rise in our community. In addition, the Washington State Department of Health has found evidence of <u>COVID-19 variants</u> in Washington. The CDC continues to recommend COVID-19 vaccination as one of the <u>best protections</u> against the disease and its variants.

HPMC Occupational Medical Services has Moderna COVID-19 vaccination appointments available. You may use the HPMC Vaccination Request tool if you would like to schedule your initial dose of the Moderna vaccine. If you received your initial Moderna dose elsewhere and need the second dose, you can use the scheduling tool to sign up for the standby list. All Washington residents age 18 and older are eligible for the Moderna vaccine. HPMC recommends that women who are pregnant, about to become pregnant, or breastfeeding discuss the risks and benefits of the vaccine with their primary care physicians or ob-gyns prior to obtaining the vaccine from HPMC.

If you do not have access to a computer, you can schedule an appointment by calling (509) 376-TEST or stopping by the HPMC clinic at 1979 Snyder Street in Richland. Please allow for fifteen minutes of post-vaccination monitoring (thirty minutes if you have a history of severe allergic reaction that required epinephrine).

Visit <u>Vaccinate WA: COVID-19 Vaccine Availability</u> to locate community vaccination appointments for your family.

We encourage everyone to support the Hanford workforce and our community by doing their part to stay safe by following CDC guidelines and Hanford Site COVID-19 safety protocols.

Additional Resources:

- Key Things to Know About COVID-19 Vaccines
- Information about COVID-19 Vaccines for People who Are Pregnant or Breastfeeding
- Your Health | COVID-19
- Public Health Awareness HPMC Occupational Health Services
- Department of Energy Hanford Site



